GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:298
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NITRO-GLYCERIN EXPLOSIVES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Gelatine is being used by the Peoples War Group (PWG), Naxalites for preparation of explosives;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government to phase out production of Nitro-glycerin based explosives; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): In order to stop misuse of nitro-glycerine-based explosives, Government of India vide Notification No. G.S.R. 59 (E) dated January 21, 2004 prohibited the possession, sale and use of nitro-glycerine or such other substance throughout the country with effect from the first day of April, 2004. Time limit for disposal of the existing stock of nitro-glycerine and nitro-glycerine based chemicals was extended till the 1st day of December, 2004 by Notifications No. G.S.R. 530 (E) dated the 20th August, 2004.